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Application of:

Neil A. A. Simpson

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For: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR EXPANDING TUBULARS IN

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: